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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

✓ Prior to examination of the reissue application, please add the following new claims.

19. An anchor for insertion into a bone hole to secure a suture to bone, comprising:
a rigid body defining a generally transverse opening extending through said body for receiving the suture,
said body having a non-helically extending exterior enlargement for engaging the bone upon insertion to resist withdrawal of said anchor from the bone.

20. The anchor of claim 19 wherein said enlargement comprises a circumferential ridge.

21. The anchor of claim 20 wherein said circumferential ridge includes a distal, chamfered surface.

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